United States European Command

REAR ADMIRAL MICHAEL D. MALONE, USN Deputy Director for Plans and Policy, U.S. European Command

Rear Admiral Michael D. Malone was born on February 2, 1948 in Brooklyn, New York, and was raised in Farmingdale, New York. He graduated from Chaminade High School and entered the Navy in June 1966 as a Midshipman at the United States Naval Academy.

After designation as a Naval Aviator on March 29, 1972, his early assignments included: Flying the A-7E Corsair in VA 97 on board USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) for two Southeast Asia deployments (1973-1975), duty as a Company Officer at the Naval Academy (1975-1978), service as Flag Lieutenant and Aide to Commander Carrier Group SEVEN (1978-1980), duty as an instructor pilot in VA 174 (1980-1981), and as Operations Officer and later Maintenance Officer of VA 12 (1981-1984).



Following a year at the National War College, he reported to VFA 136 as the squadron's first Executive Officer. In 1987, he took command of the Knighthawks and deployed in USS CORAL SEA (CV 43).

In April 1989, Rear Admiral Malone entered Naval Nuclear Propulsion training and was assigned as Executive Officer in USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72). In May 1991, he deployed to the Arabian Gulf in support of Operation DESERT STORM.

In August 1992, he took command of USS KANSAS CITY (AOR 3). During an Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf deployment, he served as Commander of the Logistics Task Group in COMUSNAVCENT and provided logistic support to 22 ships and 15,000 Navy and Marine Corps men and women from Kuwait to Somalia.

From July 1994 to August 1995, he served as Executive Assistant to Admiral William J. Flanagan, Jr., Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

From February 1996 to November 1997, he commanded USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65). During his tour, ENTERPRISE completed its 15th major deployment supporting Operation JOINT ENDEAVOR off the coast of Bosnia and Operation SOUTHERN WATCH in Iraq.

Rear Admiral Malone assumed duties as Deputy Director for Plans and Policy, U.S. European Command, in December 1997.

He is married to the former Janet Geddes Freer of New York City. They have four children: Sheila, a Navy wife and mother; Casey, a teacher in the San Francisco Bay area; Mary, a student at the University of Florida; and Patrick, a college student in Stuttgart, Germany.